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SUBJECT:OPRED - NEWLY-ESTABLISHED OVERSEAS POSITIONS
FOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

1. LATEST PERIODIC OPRED REPORT BY INTERIOR DEPARTMENT IDENTIFIES NEW PERMANENT AMERICAN POSITIONS FOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEY IN AUSTRALIA AND NORWAY RESPECTIVELY.
 2. INQUIRY BY DEPARTMENT ELICITED EXPLANATION BY GS SPOKESMAN THAT BOTH POSITIONS WERE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED AND ENCUMBERED AFTER CONSULTATION WITH CONCERNED EMBASSIES. DUTIES RELATE TO RESEARCH FOR MINERALS AND ENERGY SOURCES IN COLLABORATION WITH HOST GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES. POSITION IN OSLO HAS REGIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES. SINCE TRANSACTIONS HAD ESCAPED ATTENTION OF OFFICERS IN EA, EUR, AND OES WHO WOULD CUSTOMARILY HANDLE PROPOSALS TO ESTABLISH SUCH POSITIONS, DEPARTMENT HAS REMINDED INTERIOR REPRESENTATIVES
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ABOUT THE CONTINUING REQUIREMENT TO CONTROL USG OVERSEAS

PRESENCE AND CONSEQUENT NEED FOR AGENCIES TO COORDINATE
PROPOSALS WITH COMS VIA STATE DEPARTMENT.

3. FOR POSTS' INFORMATION, NEW GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
PERSONNEL ARE: GS-15 ELLIS L. YOCHENSEN (OSLO) AND
GS-14 JOHN POJETA, JR. (CANBERRA). PURPOSE OF THIS
MESSAGE IS TO IDENTIFY THESE OFFICERS FOR POSTS AND
REQUEST CONFIRMATION THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF THESE
POSITIONS AND PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES HAVE BEEN

COORDINATED AND APPROVED BY EMBASSY. INGERSOLL

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